SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

Notice of Rule Proposal

N.J.A.C. 7:26I – Regulations of the New Jersey Site Remediation Professional Licensing Board

Public Notice

<u>Take notice</u> that the New Jersey Site Remediation Professional Licensing Board is proposing new rules.

The Site Remediation Reform Act ("SRRA")(N.J.S.A. 58:10C-1 et seq.) established the Site Remediation Professional Licensing Board ("Board"). SRRA established a new process for remediating contaminated sites, to be overseen by a newly created licensed professional, the Licensed Site Remediation Professional ("LSRP"). SRRA requires the Board to oversee the licensing and performance of LSRPs, and to promulgate rules necessary for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of SRRA.

The proposed new rules encompass the following:

- 1. Licensing of LSRPS, including eligibility requirements and examinations;
- 2. Fees to be imposed on and collected by the Board including annual fees and licensing fees:
- 3. Continuing Education of LSRPs, including the continuing education requirements each LSRP must meet and the criteria for approval of Continuing Education Credits for continuing education programs and activities;
- 4. Auditing of LSRPs by the Board, including how LSRPs shall be selected for audit;
- 5. The rules of professional conduct that LSRPs must follow;
- 6. The procedures for disciplinary proceedings including the filing of complaints; investigation of complaints by the Board, actions the Board may take relative to complaints and violations, and hearing requirements;
- 7. The procedures for adjudicatory proceedings; and
- 8. The prohibition against retaliatory action.

The proposal and the notice soliciting comment are scheduled to be published in the New Jersey Register dated January 5, 2015. A copy of the proposal and of the notice is available from:

- 1. DEP website www.nj.gov/dep/rules/notices.html
- 2. Board website www.nj.gov/lsrpboard/board/rules/
- 3. LexisNexis Customer Service (888)285-3947 or www.lexisnexis/store
- 4. Free On-line public access to the New Jersey Administrative Code and the New Jersey Register at www.lexisnexis.com/njoal

A public hearing on the proposed new rules will be held on the following date at the following location:

February 17, 2015
4:00 PM

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Public Hearing Room
401 East State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625-0420

Directions to the hearing room may be found at the Department website, http://www.state.nj.us/dep/where.htm.

Submit written comments by Friday March 6, 2015 electronically to lsrpboardrulecomments@dep.nj.gov. Each comment should be identified by the applicable N.J.A.C. citation, with the commenter's name and affiliation following the comment. The Department encourages electronic submittal of comments. In the alternative, comments may be submitted on paper to:

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NJDEP Site Remediation Program

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Written comments may also be submitted at the public hearing. It is requested (but not required) that anyone submitting oral testimony at the public hearing provide a copy of any prepared text to the stenographer at the hearing.